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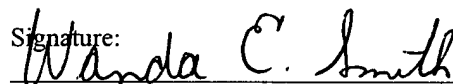
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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe that I am an original and first and joint inventor of the subject matter of the invention entitled REAGENTS AND METHODS USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASES OF THE PROSTATE, which is claimed and for which a patent is sought in the above identified patent application filed on October 8, 1997, and accorded Application No. 08/946,869.

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